

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Office Action mailed July 27, 2009, the Examiner has required restriction between the following groups of invention:

Group I: Claims 1-49, drawn to a wooden panel; and

Group II: Claims 50-65, drawn to a process.

Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I, claims 1-49 for the purposes of examination. This election is made without traverse.

An early action on the merits is respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner believe an amendment is needed to place this case in condition for allowance, the Examiner is hereby invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.

No fee is believed to be due as a result of this response.

Should the Director determine that a fee is due, he is hereby authorized to charge said fee to Deposit Account No. 02-0184.

Respectfully submitted,

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